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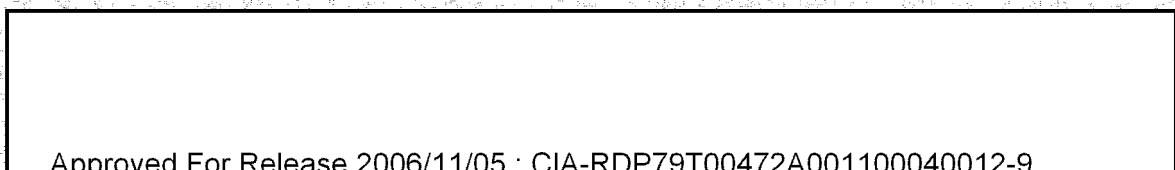
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1. Congo

The Congo's military scene was relatively static last week, with little activity on any front.

Additional military supplies may be reaching the insurgents, however.

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The Congolese naval patrol plans to initiate night patrols soon, hoping to increase their interceptions of arms supplies moving across Lake Tanganyika.

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The commander of the Colombian Army announced to the press on 2 August that a "nationwide subversive plan" had been discovered. The subversive group behind the plan was not identified in the press announcement, but it probably is the pro-Chinese Communist Party--Marxist-Leninist (PCC-ML). The identities of the extremist elements rounded up in the operation that began on 30 July have not yet been announced by the Colombian Government, but the main target was to be the leadership group of the PPC-ML.

5. Guatemala

The situation in Guatemala remains tense. However, the recent lifting of the state of siege--in effect since February--and elections on 1 August for 14 Constituent Assembly seats may tend to ease

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the situation. With the normalization of the political scene, however, and with renewed political activity, it seems likely that there will be an increase in terrorist activity throughout the country.

Guatemalan Communist Party members recently split from the 13 November Movement led by Marco Antonio Yon Sosa, but have continued terrorist activity. The split may reduce the effectiveness of both groups.

[redacted] the Communists persist in attempts to assassinate high-ranking Guatemalan officials. Last week an attempt was made on the life of the deputy chief of the judicial police. In the ensuing fire fight one terrorist was killed and the rest escaped. During recent weeks the Guatemalan security service has raided terrorist strongholds in Guatemala City. Although not overwhelmingly successful, they killed two important members of Yon's group and captured several others. A recent helicopter sweep of the guerrilla area in Izabal Province destroyed 14 guerrilla camps. [redacted]

6. Honduras

Tegucigalpa is calm following last week's abortive general strike and associated gatherings in which one student was killed. [redacted]

The Liberals probably are resorting to threats of violence because they feel that the Lopez regime has treated them too harshly. Their newspaper El Pueblo has been closed down and a 30-day state of siege was imposed on 30 July. [redacted]

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7. Venezuela

The roundup of extremists which began in Caracas and in the eastern provinces on 29 July netted several hundred known terrorists.. The threat of widespread violence which precipitated the roundup thus seems to have subsided. However, isolated incidents such as the 2 August attack on a Caracas police substation by machine-gun wielding students and the attempt the same day to sabotage pipelines in eastern Venezuela can be expected to continue as in the past.

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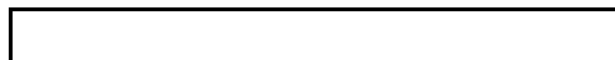
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